

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1 through 30 are pending in this application. Claims 5, 19, and 29 have been withdrawn.

The Office Action asserts that an election of a single species is required, as defined by specie A of FIGS. 1-8; or specie B of FIG. 9-15.

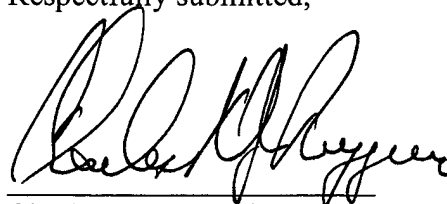
Applicants respectfully traverse because each of the embodiments as set forth in the Office Action is a common invention. Moreover, it would be more expedient to prosecute both embodiments in a single application. Notwithstanding the foregoing, to comply fully with the election requirement, applicants elect with traverse to prosecute the embodiment of FIGS. 1-8, which includes claims 1 through 4, 6 through 18, 20 through 28, and 30 that read thereon.

The Office Action concedes that currently at least claim 1 is generic and if finally held allowable, applicants will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all of the limitations of the allowed generic claim. Additionally, applicants submit that independent claims 11 and 21 are also generic to the species as defined above. Consideration and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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